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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING MOLD

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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MANUFACTURING METAL MOLD

Group: 1725 Examiner: Lin

The disclosure of this prior parent application, as well as any
applications from which this prior application may claim
priority, is hereby incorporated by reference.

☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named
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☒ New specification.

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- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.
☐ Statement(s) re small entity is/are enclosed.
- ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Kikuchi Co., Ltd.
- ☒ Acknowledgment Postal Card
- ☒ Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on Japanese Application No. 2000-152594, filed May 24, 2000.
☒ The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No. PCT/JP01/03896, filed May 10, 2001.
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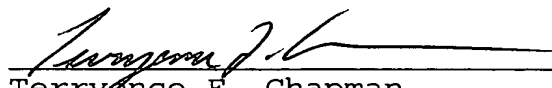
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